

SYEP 2010

MAYOR ADRIAN M. FENTY'S SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Frequently Asked Questions

REGISTRATION

1. How do I apply for Mayor Adrian M. Fenty's 2010 Summer Youth Employment Program?

All applicants must register online and complete all required fields. If you are under the age of 18, you must print out the Parental Consent Form which must be signed by you and your parent or guardian.

2. Where can I register?

Registration will only be offered online; go to summerjobs.dc.gov to register.

3. Do I have to register online?

Yes.

4. What if I do not have an e-mail?

You must establish an e-mail account in order to register. The registration site provides links to free e-mail providers. Alternatively, you may use your parent, family member or guardian's e-mail address to receive all correspondence regarding the 2010 Summer Youth Employment Program. E-mailed items will include the status of your registration, certification, and information regarding the date and time of orientation.

5. I registered for the SYEP last year, am I required to register again for this year's program?

Yes, applicants must apply each year.

6. I don't have internet or computer access. Where can I find public access to a computer to register?

If you do not have computer and internet access, you may register at any D. C. Public Library, your school, or D.C. recreation centers.

7. What are the required documents to register?

You must provide documentation to determine eligibility for the Summer Youth Employment Program. In order to participate, we will need to verify the following:

1. Date of Birth
2. Eligibility to work (citizenship)
3. Social Security Number
4. DC Residency (must include the applicant's name)
5. Signed Parental Consent Form if you are under the age of 18
(See list of Acceptable Documents for Eligibility Verification at summerjobs.dc.gov)

8. Will I have to take a drug test?

Some of our worksites do require that you take a drug test.

9. Can I be assigned to the same training site I had last summer?

You will be able to indicate if you wish to work with the same employer as you did last year and every effort will be made to honor that request.

10. Once I have completed the application process, how will I be notified?

Notification of enrollment and acceptance will be sent to the e-mail address that you provided on your 2010 Summer Youth Employment Program Application.



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ELIGIBILITY

12. What are the eligibility requirements in order to participate?

To be eligible, an applicant must be a District resident, 14 - 21 years of age, and US citizen/authorized to work in the US.

13. I'm not enrolled in school, can I still participate?

Yes, this program is open to all eligible District residents between the ages of 14 - 21 years old.

14. I attend school/college outside of the Washington Metropolitan area. Will I be able to register for the 2010 Summer Program?

Yes, as long as you are a District resident and are able to provide the documents to verify your residency.

15. I attend a local college, but I am an out-of state resident. Can I register?

No, you must be a District resident to participate in the District's Summer Youth Employment Program.

16. Do I need a resume?

You do not need to have a resume in order to participate in SYEP, in fact, for many this will be their first work experience. However, many private sector employers encourage that participants submit a resume.

17. Do I need a work permit to participate?

No, you do not need a work permit to participate in the District's Summer Youth Employment Program.

18. I am a part of the out-of-school or in-school program. Can I still register for a summer job?

If you are already in a year-round youth program with DOES you are enrolled throughout the summer, therefore you cannot also register for the summer program.

19. If I have a medical condition, (pregnancy, allergies, other) can I still work?

Yes, however it is important that you let us know about any health condition that may be relevant so we can assign/transfer you to an appropriate site.

ORIENTATION

20. When will orientation notifications be mailed out? Where will it be held?

Orientations will occur at the start of the Summer Youth Employment Program at various locations. We will be e-mailing orientation notifications with details on when and where to attend orientation.

OFFICE OF YOUTH PROGRAMS INFORMATION

21. Where can I call or e-mail if I have any questions or concerns?

You may call the Department of Employment Services (DOES) Office of Youth Programs at (202) 698-3492 or e-mail summerjobs@dc.gov.